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Examiner: Medina A. IBRAHIM

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Applicants: Villo Morawala PATELL, et al.

For: AN ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCE CONFERRING STRESS  
TOLERANCE/SUSCEPTIBILITY IN RICE (AS AMENDED)

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Attention: AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for an extension of time into the third month after the response due date, i.e., until June 2, 2006, for responding to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2005.

The commissioner is authorized to charge any Petition for Extension of Time fee for underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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